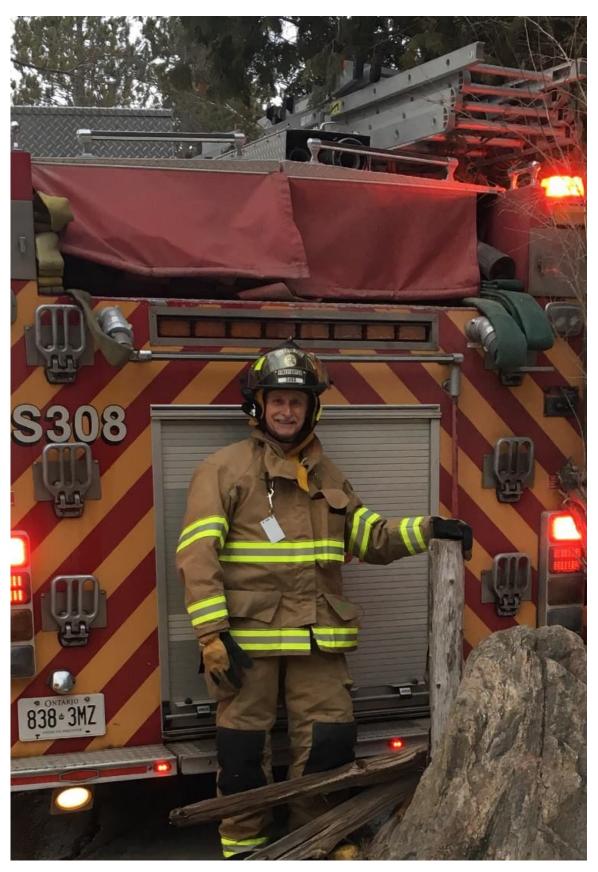
What Happens When you Die?

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The 1st Year of the 4th Sabbatical Cycle

The 22nd year of the Jubilee Cycle

The 7th day of the 12th month 5853 years after the creation of Adam

The 12th Month in the First year of the Fourth Sabbatical Cycle

The 4th Sabbatical Cycle after the 119th Jubilee Cycle

The Sabbatical Cycle of Sword, Famines, and Pestilence

February 24, 2018

Shabbat Shalom To the Royal Family,

The 12th New Moon of 5853

The new moon of the 12th month was clearly visible from Jerusalem this evening, Saturday, February 17, 2018 (which was the end of the 30th day of the previous month). I first sighted the new moon at 5:28 pm. However, it was difficult for me to get a good picture of it before it went behind the clouds (see above photo). At the time of this writing, I am not aware of any other positive reports, although I wouldn't be surprised if they come in later.

On behalf of all of us who rely on these reports, I wish to thank everyone in Israel who looked for the new moon this evening and sent in their observations in a timely manner. And a special thank you to all of you who are supporting our efforts in many different ways around the world.

As you know, at the end of the 12th month, our dedicated team of devout individuals, will be inspecting the barley crop in the Land of Israel, to determine whether this year needs to be intercalated with a 13th month. If you find these reports to be of value, please consider supporting our efforts at https://www.patreon.com/datetree. We could really use your support, particularly this time of the year!

Chodesh Tov! Make it a great month!

Devorah Gordon Jerusalem, Israel

Sickness and Death

Dear Brethren, I want to apologize for not having a News Letter to send out last week, Feb 17, 2018.

The week of January 21-27 I caught the flu and this year it is a very dangerous flu with many deaths being reported across Canada and the USA. In Canada, there have been reported 21,000 flu cases as of Feb 6, 2018. I was but another statistic in that number.

You can call it the man flu if you want, but I was laid out unable to breathe and extremely lethargic. I had zero energy to do anything. I could not read or study nor write. All I did was sleep. I missed this week being off from work. As the following week of January 28 to February 2, began my breathing declined and coughing increased, I was just unable to catch my breath. We went to the hospital and I was told I had pneumonia Feb 4. Prescribed amoxicillin and all I did for that next week was sleep. I did not go to work. I finally felt good enough to go to work Feb 12.

But on Feb 7 my Brother-in-law died having succumbed to the cancer that had raced through his body infecting every organ in him.

We had had my Mom's 80th birthday at his place this past July. I gave him my books which he said he would read. He then had his daughters wedding in Sept. and began to complain about a pain in his back thinking it was a Chiropractic issue. But after two treatments he was told to go to the hospital and get it checked out. That was now the end of November.

My Sister is a marathon runner and ironman racer. Her husband is there to support her for every race. He is a 24-hour mountain bike racer and my sister is there to cheer him on at each event. They are are both very fit and eat properly. And yet this cancer grabbed my brother in law and would not slow up until it finally won out on Feb 7.

On Feb 17 one day after Ralph would have turned 61 there was a memorial service for him in which were held full firemen honour guard on his behalf. There were over 600 people in attendance as many of the Fire Chief's got up to speak and reflect on Ralph always being the first to the accident or fire. Ralph was at this time made Honourary Captain because now he could not refuse the title any longer, having turned down the promotion for years, only wanting to teach the new recruits and to be one of them in the field.

As his Fire Helmets and Captains hat were presented to his wife, my sister, and his two sons there was not a dry eye amongst the 600 watching. As Ralphs, Daughter carried his urn out through the honour guard procession and then had the urn placed on the firetruck by his comrades, for his last tour of duty again there was not a dry eye to be seen.

There was also a Baptist preacher who was the Fire Departments Chaplain and he had the

difficult task of speaking to a secular audience and trying to share the truths of the Bible with them. Ralph and my sister did not attend church as far as I know. The Chaplain did a great job and I had to thank him for how he was able to do what he did. (Mind you it was typical gone to heaven sort of stuff).

After this, all the family from BC to NFLD and all points in between gathered to celebrate the life of Ralph with his Wife in typical Newfy Wake style with singing and telling of stories and laughter. All of this between the tears.

Then just like that Monday came and it is known as Family Day here in Ontario, and all the family were all gone heading back home and my Sister was now alone having the time she needed having no more tears to cry after dealing with Ralphs cancer and death and arrangements for the past 4 months.

As I watched all of this and consoled those who needed it and watched so many people who did not know how to act or what to say to those who have just lost their husband and father, I could not help but to reflect back to an article I had written in 2005 when my Nan died back in Newfoundland. It was called How Will You Be Remembered?

Ralph and my Sister were great people and they were loved by many. Ralph served his community as a volunteer fireman for 23 years. They were greatly respected by many in many circles of life.

I am sharing all of this for two reasons. First of all, to help you to understand just how out of gas I have been for the past month and so you can have a glimpse of what has been going on in my life.

UPDATED: Flags lowered to mourn sudden passing of Caledon volunteer firefighter Ralph Sugg

NEWS Feb 09, 2018 by Danielle Marr



Ralph Sugg, a longtime volunteer firefighter with the Town of Caledon, has died following a brief illness, the Enterprise has learned.

Fire Chief Darryl Bailey notified staff early Thursday evening, Feb. 8, in an email brought to the attention of the Enterprise.

"It is with great sadness that we pass along some very sad news," he wrote.

After serving his community for more than 23 years, Sugg, a volunteer firefighter with the Mono Mills fire station passed away suddenly after a brief illness.

"Our hearts and prayers go out to Ralph's family, friends and all members of Caledon Fire and Emergency Services," Bailey continues.

Fellow longtime volunteer firefighter Brian Zimmerman told the Enterprise Sugg's passing has hit the Mono Mills fire department hard. He was someone new recruits would look up to as he took them under his wing and showed them the ropes.

"Ralph was a hero," Zimmerman wrote in a tribute on Facebook. "He was always the one to charge in, take the fires head on, and save what could be saved."

"Ralph was often the first to enter the vehicle at a car accident. He would render first aid and console patients until the crews could get them out," said Zimmerman. "Ralph took every task and did it to the best of his abilities, going above and beyond. Because of his efforts, many lives have been saved."

Municipal flags at Caledon Town Hall and all municipal buildings will be flown at half-mast in honour of the passing of Sugg.

The family will receive friends at the Caledon Community Complex, 6215 Old Church Rd, Caledon East on Saturday, Feb. 17 at 10 a.m. A service to honour Sugg will take place at 1 p.m. Donations can be made to Bethell Hospice Foundation or the Southlake Regional Health Centre Foundation.

With files by Robyn Wilkinson

Letting your Light Shine

As far as I know, my sister and Ralph never went to church and had no use for going to church. but they were very very much loved in the community. Ralph served for 23 years as a volunteer fireman running into the line of danger when others were running out. Some of the stories that Ralph told me have made him a hero to me, but...... What does Yehovah think?

We are told in

Mathew 7:21-23 "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. On that day many will say to me, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?' And then will I declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.'

Those who are prophesying in His name, and casting out demons and raising up great churches and having huge revival meetings and huge TV followings are going to be told 'I never knew you', but why?

Again Mathew 25 we are told about the 10 virgins and how 5 of them will be told 'I never knew you' and again I ask you why?

Mathew 25:1-13 "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a cry, 'Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise answered, saying, 'Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.' And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, Lord, lord, open to us.' But he answered, 'Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.' Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

These are those who missed the appointed time by not having enough oil, and what is the oil.

Matthew 25:7 Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps.

The object of trimming would be to secure a brighter light. It would involve the trimming of the wick and replenish the oil if needed. When the cry does arise there will be a wonderful lamp-trimming.

Mathew 5:14-16 "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

So how do we trim our wicks so that our light shines brighter? Self-examination.

Lamentations 3:40 Let us test and examine our ways, and return to the Lord!

Let us lift up our hearts and hands

to God in heaven:

"We have transgressed and rebelled, and you have not forgiven.

1 Corinthians 11: 31-32 But if we judged ourselves truly, we would not be judged. But when we are judged by the Lord, we are disciplined so that we may not be condemned along with the world.

2 Corinthians 13:5 Examine yourselves, to see whether you are in the faith. Test yourselves. Or do you not realize this about yourselves, that Jesus Christ is in you?—unless indeed you fail to meet the test!

Galatians 6:3-6 For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor. For each will have to bear his own load. Let the one who is taught the word share all good things with the one who teaches.

Matthew 25:8 And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out.

The RSV says, more correctly, "Our lamps are going out," They had kept up a flickering light to this time. Their apparent piety, though it satisfied them before, was not sufficient now. They were the ones who looked perfect at the church on Sunday. But they are fighting all week long and have never cracked open the Bible other than to have it open when they are at church so as to show they are good. How many of you am I now describing?

They should have known – and been ready – No excuse!

Mathew 25:31-46 "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. And he will place the sheep on his right, but the goats on the left. Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' And the King will answer them, Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.'

"Then he will say to those on his left, Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, saying, 'Lord, when did

we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?' Then he will answer them, saying, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

Mathew 13:36-44 Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples came to him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man. The field is the world, and the good seed is the sons of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil. The harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are gathered and burned with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will gather out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all law-breakers, and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear.

Mathew 10:28-33 And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven.

Mathew 6:46-49 "Why do you call me 'Lord, Lord,' and not do what I tell you? Everyone who comes to me and hears my words and does them, I will show you what he is like: he is like a man building a house, who dug deep and laid the foundation on the rock. And when a flood arose, the stream broke against that house and could not shake it, because it had been well built. But the one who hears and does not do them is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. When the stream broke against it, immediately it fell, and the ruin of that house was great."

Mathew 12:50 For whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother."

I love my Sister and I love my family and extended family. I have nothing but respect for all first responders. The utmost respect. But those who do the will of our Father are my Brothers and Sisters. Those who keep the commandments are the ones who are charging in when the world is running away. Those of us who obey and DO HIS WILL are the real heroes even though the world hates us right now for obeying Yehovah.

What is the Will of the Father?

John 15:9-11 As the Father has loved Me, so have I loved you. Remain in My love. If you keep My commandments, you will remain in My love, just as I have kept My Father's commandments and remain in His love. I have told you these things so that My joy may be in you and your joy may be complete.

John 8:29 He who sent Me is with Me. He has not left Me alone, because I always do what pleases Him."

1 John 2:3-6 And by this we know that we have come to know him, if we keep his commandments. Whoever says "I know him" but does not keep his commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him, but whoever keeps his word, in him truly the love of God is perfected. By this we may know that we are in him: whoever says he abides in him ought to walk in the same way in which he walked.

1 John 5:1-5 Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

John 8:55 You do not know Him, but I know Him. If I said I did not know Him, I would be a liar like you. But I do know Him, and I keep His word.

John 14:15 If you love Me, you will keep My commandments.

It is those who keep the Commandments. It is those who DO those commandments in everyday life and not just when you're with the assembly or group of others. But those who obey even when no one is around.

John 14:21 Whoever has My commandments and keeps them is the one who loves Me. The one who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and reveal Myself to him."

John 14:23 Jesus replied, "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make Our home with him.

1 John 2:3 By this we can be sure that we have come to know Him: if we keep His commandments.

1 John 2:6 Whoever claims to abide in Him must walk as Jesus walked.

For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments.

This is His will that we keep His commandments.

Where do we learn about when our Salvation is?

So where is my Brother in law today? Did he go straight to Heaven because of all the good he had done and all the lives he had saved? Where are your loved ones that have died? You will never know where they are until you begin to obey Yehovah and keep the Holy Days as commanded in Lev 23. They explain the whole plan of Salvation. Yes, you can read it all you want but it is not until you actually begin to do those Holy Days that you will begin to understand.

We are fast approaching the Passover Season. How does Passover help to explain about death and what happens at death? How does it explain the resurrection of the body?

At the beginning of His Ministry, Yehshua said the following;

John 3:13 No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man.

Moses, Joshua, David, Samuel, Noah, Shem Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, and any other of the Saints you can think of, none of them had gone to heaven. Not one. They were all still dead and asleep in the earth. But Yehshua was the first one to be raised from the dead.

1 Corinthians 15:20-25 But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet.

The Bible records several accounts of resurrections. Every time a person is raised from the dead, it is a stupendous miracle, showing that Yehovah who is Himself the Source of Life has the ability to give life to whom He will—even after death. The following people were raised from the dead in the Bible:

The widow of Zarephath's son (1 Kings 17:17–24). Elijah the prophet raised the widow of Zarephath's son from the dead. Elijah was staying in an upper room of the widow's house during a severe drought in the land. While he was there, the widow's son became ill and died. In her grief, the woman brought the body of her son to Elijah with the assumption that his presence in her household had brought about the death of her boy as a judgment on her past sin. Elijah took the dead boy from her arms, went to the upper room, and prayed, "Lord my God, let this boy's life return to him!" (verse 21). Elijah stretched himself out on the boy three times as he prayed, and "the Lord heard Elijah's cry, and the boy's life returned to him, and he lived" (verse 22). The prophet brought the boy to his mother, who was filled with faith in the power of God through Elijah: "Now I know that you are a man of God and that the word of the Lord from your mouth is the truth" (verse 24).

The Shunammite woman's son (2 Kings 4:18–37). The prophet Elisha raised the Shunammite woman's son from the dead. Elisha regularly stayed in Shunem in an upper room prepared for him by this woman and her husband. One day, while Elisha was at Mount Carmel, the couple's young son died. The woman carried the body of her son to Elisha's room and laid it on the bed (verse 21). Then, without even telling her husband the news, she departed for Carmel to find Elisha (verses 22–25). When she found Elisha, she pleaded with him to come to Shunem. Elisha sent his servant, Gehazi, ahead of them with instructions to lay Elisha's staff on the boy's face (verse 31). As soon as Elisha and the Shunammite woman arrived back home, Elisha went to the upper room, shut the door, and prayed. Then he stretched out on top of the

boy's body, and the body began to warm (verse 34). Elisha arose, walked about the room, and stretched himself out on the body again. The boy then sneezed seven times and awoke from death (verse 35). Elisha then delivered the boy, alive again, to his grateful mother (verses 36–37).

The man raised out of Elisha's grave (2 Kings 13:20–21). Elisha is connected with another resurrection that occurred after his death. Sometime after Elisha had died and was buried, some men were burying another body in the same area. The grave diggers saw a band of Moabite raiders approaching, and, rather than risk an encounter with the Moabites, they threw the man's body into Elisha's grave. Scripture records that, "when the body touched Elisha's bones, the man came to life and stood up on his feet" (verse 21).

The widow of Nain's son (Luke 7:11–17). This is the first of the resurrections that Jesus performed. As the Lord approached the town of Nain, He met a funeral procession leaving the city. In the coffin was a young man, the only son of a widow. When Jesus saw the procession, "his heart went out to [the woman] and he said, 'Don't cry'" (verse 13). Jesus came close and touched the coffin and spoke to the dead man: "Young man, I say to you, get up!" (verse 14). Obeying the divine order, "the dead man sat up and began to talk" (verse 15). And thus Jesus turned the funeral into a praise and worship service: "God has come to help his people," the people said (verse 16).

Jairus' daughter (Luke 8:52–56). Jesus also showed His power over death by raising the young daughter of Jairus, a synagogue leader. The Lord was surrounded by crowds when Jairus came to Him, begging Him to visit his house and heal his dying twelve-year-old daughter (verses 41–42). Jesus began to follow Jarius home, but on the way a member of Jarius' household approached them with the sad news that Jairus' daughter had died. Jesus turned to Jarius with words of hope: "Don't be afraid; just believe, and she will be healed" (verse 50). Upon arriving at Jarius' house, Jesus took the girl's parents, Peter, James, and John and entered the room where the body lay. There, "he took her by the hand and said, 'My child, get up!' Her spirit returned, and at once she stood up" (verses 54–55). Jesus and His disciples then left the resurrected girl with her astonished parents.

Lazarus of Bethany (John 11). The third person that Jesus raised from the dead was His friend Lazarus. Word had come to Jesus that Lazarus was ill, but Jesus did not go to Bethany to heal him. Instead, He told His disciples, "This sickness will not end in death. No, it is for God's glory so that God's Son may be glorified through it" (verse 4). A couple days later, Jesus told His disciples that Lazarus had died, but He promised a resurrection: "I am going there to wake him up" (verse 11). When Jesus reached Bethany, four days after Lazarus' death, Lazarus' grieving sisters both greeted Jesus with the same words: "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died" (verses 21 and 32). Jesus, speaking to Martha, promised to raise Lazarus from the dead (verse 23) and proclaimed Himself to be "the resurrection and the life" (verse 25). Jesus asked to see the grave. When He got to the place, He commanded the stone to be rolled away from the tomb (verse 39), and He prayed (verses 41–42) and "called in a loud voice, 'Lazarus, come out!" (verse 43). Just as Jesus had promised, "the dead man came out" (verse 44). The result of this miracle was that God was glorified and "many of the Jews who

had come to visit Mary, and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him" (verse 45). Others, however, refused to believe in Jesus and plotted to destroy both Jesus and Lazarus (John 11:53; 12:10).

Tabitha (Acts 9:36–43). Tabitha, whose Greek name was Dorcas, was a believer who lived in the coastal city of Joppa. Her resurrection was performed by the apostle Peter. Dorcas was known for "always doing good and helping the poor" (verse 36). When she died, the believers in Joppa were filled with sadness. They laid the body in an upper room and sent for Peter, who was in the nearby town of Lydda (verses 37–38). Peter came at once and met with the disciples in Joppa, who showed him the clothing that Dorcas had made for the widows there (verse 39). Peter sent them all out of the room and prayed. Then "turning toward the dead woman, he said, 'Tabitha, get up.' She opened her eyes, and seeing Peter she sat up. He took her by the hand and helped her to her feet" (verses 40–41). The overjoyed believers received their resurrected friend, and the news spread quickly throughout the city. "Many people believed in the Lord" as a result (verse 42).

Eutychus (Acts 20:7–12). Eutychus was a young man who lived (and died and lived again) in Troas. He was raised from the dead by the apostle Paul. The believers in Troas were gathered in an upper room to hear the apostle speak. Since Paul was leaving town the next day, he spoke late into the night. One of his audience members was Eutychus, who sat in a window and, unfortunately, fell asleep. Eutychus slipped out of the window and fell three stories to his death (verse 9). Paul went down and "threw himself on the young man and put his arms around him" (verse 10). Eutychus came back to life, went upstairs, and ate a meal with the others. When the meeting finally broke up at daylight, "the people took the young man home alive and were greatly comforted" (verse 12).

Jesus (Mark 16:1–8). Of course, any list of resurrections in the Bible must include the resurrection of Jesus Christ. His death and resurrection are the focal points of Scripture and the most important events in the history of the world. The resurrection of Jesus is different from the Bible's other resurrections in a very notable way: Jesus' resurrection is the first "permanent" resurrection; all the other resurrections in the Bible were "temporary" in that those raised to life died again. Lazarus died twice; Jesus rose, nevermore to die. In this way, He is "the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep" (1 Corinthians 15:20).

It is only when we read Lev 23 and understand the meaning and the purpose of the wave sheaf offering that we can get a glimpse of the plan of Salvation. All of those who were raised back to life as mentioned above died again.

Various saints in Jerusalem (Matthew 27:50–53). The Bible mentions some resurrections that occurred en masse at the resurrection of Christ. When Jesus died, "the earth shook, the rocks split and the tombs broke open" (verses 51–52). Those open tombs remained open until the third day. At that time, "the bodies of many holy people . . . were raised to life. They came out of the tombs after Jesus' resurrection and went into the holy city and appeared to many people" (verses 52–53). On the day that Jesus was raised to life, these saints were also raised and became witnesses in Jerusalem of the life that only Jesus can give.

Again we must read;

1 Corinthians 15:20-25 But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet.

Christ the firstfruits. It is not singular but plural. Christ and those saints who came into Jerusalem that Saturday evening when the barley is being prepared. The barley is then waved that Sunday morning at 9 AM and this is when Yehovah along with these Saints ascended to Heaven. This is why Yehshua told Mary not to touch Him because He had not yet ascended. That took place at 9 AM and then later He told the Apostles to touch Him and to look at His wounds.

No man had gone to heaven until this point in time. Not until Yehshua led them there.

Now we read in Revelation about the 24 Elders. Who are they but our Ancestors? Look up the word used for Elders in Rev 4:4. These 24 elders were at one time alive on this earth and had died before Yehshua came back to life. This is the meaning of the wave sheaf offering of Lev 23.

Another thing to note here as shared with us in

Ephesians 4:8 Therefore it says, "When he ascended on high he led a host of captives, and he gave gifts to men."

When you or anyone dies you are as we have seen from the other scriptures above asleep. Yehshua says they were asleep. Paul says they are captives. They are captives of Satan who brought death into this world through the tree of good and evil from which Adam and Eve chose. Death is the last thing destroyed in the lake of fire.

All those who have died have fallen asleep and are being held captive by Satan. This is why they must be redeemed by Yehovah.

Isaiah 44:24 Thus says Yehovah, your Redeemer, who formed you from the womb:

"I am Yehovah, who made all things, who alone stretched out the heavens, who spread out the earth by myself,

Isaiah 48:17-19 Thus says Yehovah, your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel:

"I am Yehovah your God, who teaches you to profit, who leads you in the way you should go.

Oh that you had paid attention to my commandments! Then your peace would have been like a river, and your righteousness like the waves of the sea; your offspring would have been like the sand, and your descendants like its grains; their name would never be cut off or destroyed from before me."

So the next wave offering is at Pentecost. Keep reading in Lev 23. This is the time when the wheat is to be raised up which is symbolized by the two loaves of bread that are waved.

1 Cor 15:50-58 I tell you this, brothers: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality. When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written:

"Death is swallowed up in victory."

"O death, where is your victory?

O death, where is your sting?"

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

This is the great meaning of the Feast of Pentecost. It is when all those who have ever lived since Yehshua rose from the grave and died in the faith will be raised up. Paul, Peter, James and all the rest of the apostles and Saints and then those of us who are alive will be changed in the twinkling of an eye. The Dead first and then us.

But this does not cover my Brother in law or your loved ones who were not in the faith. What is to happen to them?

Rev 20: 1-6 Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, holding in his hand the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain. And he seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years, and threw him into the pit, and shut it and sealed it over him, so that he might not deceive the nations any longer, until the thousand years were ended. After that he must be released for a little while.

Then I saw thrones, and seated on them were those to whom the authority to judge was committed. Also I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for the testimony of Jesus and for the word of God, and those who had not worshiped the beast or its image and had not received its mark on their foreheads or their hands. They came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years. The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were ended. This is the first resurrection. Blessed and holy is the one who shares in the first resurrection! Over such the second death has no power, but they will be priests of God and of Christ, and they will reign with him for a thousand years.

Those who do not and did not have the mark of the Beast on their foreheads or their hands are raised up to reign during this 7th millennium.

5 The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were ended.

So what is the Mark of the Beast? In order to know what is the Mark of the Beast, you have to learn what is the Mark of Yehovah. Yehovah's mark on you or His sign on you are His Sabbath. His Holy Days and His Sabbatical and Jubilee years. These are on your hand by the way you stop work and keep them Holy and the mark on your head by the way you stop and study His words. Please do go and read our full article on this.

All of those people, like my brother in law and some of you who keep Sunday as your day of rest and Christmas and Easter and any other Holy Days that are not mentioned in Lev 23 such as Purim and Chanukah are also marking yourselves with Satans mark. Like it or not that is the truth.

But those who do not have that mark or those who do have the mark of Yehovah will be brought back to life to live during the 7th Millennium. Those with Satans mark will be brought back to life at the end of the 7th Millennium for a short while and then judged.

So we have those who were brought back to life represented by the wave offering at Passover. We have those who are about to be brought back to life or those who are alive changed to spirit in the twinkling of an eye represented by Pentecost, and we have the rest of the dead or those who are asleep or held captive by Satan brought back to life for a short while at the end of the 7th Millennium and this is represented by the third chag known as the Feast of Tabernacles.

By not keeping the Feast of Lev 23 you miss out on all this understanding of the plan of salvation and end up like most Christians who just guess about the end times.

What is the Truth about Heaven and Hell?

I am going to leave you with some more homework. Here is a series of articles teaching you about Heaven and Hell. Many of you need to read this and unlearn many of the false things you have assumed to be true.

Heaven or Hell Which one you going to? Are you Sure?

#2 Continuation of Heaven and Hell.

#3 Heaven and Hell

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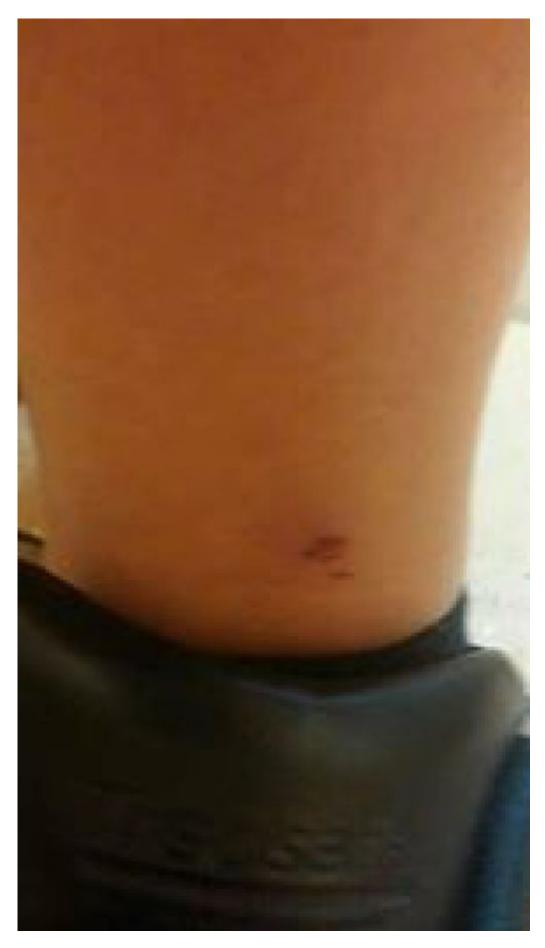
#6 Heaven and Hell

In closing, there has been something troubling me. There is one believer whose daughter had a severe spider bite to her ankle.





She wrote me and asked me to pray for her daughter. I did and one hour later this was the same foot.



There was another lady who had cancer come back on her and she asked me to anoint her. I did and then prayed for her and today she is still cancer free. That was 4 and 1/2 years ago. I

was only an instrument Yehovah used to both have those people ask and for me to pray for them so that He could work His miracles on them. On those who obeyed Him.

The difference was that those who asked had faith as mentioned in James 5:13-18 and they were trying to obey Yehovah.

Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise. Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer of faith will save the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working. Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and heaven gave rain, and the earth bore its fruit.

I love my family but they never asked for prayer. They never sought Yehovah to heal them. They never thought to consider to turn from their present path and begin to follow Him. And then Proverbs comes to mind and it is so sad to see in real life the words of our Father coming true. Some during this funeral service talked to me briefly about some things but they never allowed Yehovah to be a part of their lives. My question for you is this. Is Yehovah part of your life or is just another religion your trying for this month?

Proverbs 1:20-33 Wisdom cries aloud in the street, in the markets she raises her voice; at the head of the noisy streets she cries out; at the entrance of the city gates she speaks: "How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple? How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing and fools hate knowledge? If you turn at my reproof, behold, I will pour out my spirit to you; I will make my words known to you. Because I have called and you refused to listen, have stretched out my hand and no one has heeded, because you have ignored all my counsel and would have none of my reproof, I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when terror strikes you, when terror strikes you like a storm and your calamity comes like a whirlwind, when distress and anguish come upon you. Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer; they will seek me diligently but will not find me. Because they hated knowledge and did not choose the fear of the Lord, would have none of my counsel and despised all my reproof, therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way, and have their fill of their own devices. For the simple are killed by their turning away, and the complacency of fools destroys them; but whoever listens to me will dwell secure and will be at ease, without dread of disaster."